

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 475

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to commend Laura B. Pickett for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Laura B. Pickett is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for the Senate Judiciary Committee; Laura's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, hailing from Goodspring, Tennessee, Ms. Pickett is a recent graduate of Martin Methodist College in Pulaski, where she was highly regarded by her peers; a recipient of the prestigious President's Award, Laura maintained a perfect 4.0 grade point average while double majoring in Accounting and English and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Ms. Pickett has received the Martin Scholar Award, the Willie Mae Stanfil Stone English Award, and the English Department Award of Excellence while also serving as Treasurer of Gamma Beta Phi, Secretary of Phi Theta Kappa, and member of the honor societies, Sigma Beta Delta and Sigma Tau Delta; and

WHEREAS, in addition, she has also served as a valued member of the Ambassador Club, Student Support Services, and Rotaract, which she served as a member of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, active in her community, Laura Pickett has served as a volunteer with the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, Martin Methodist College's Annual "Boo-Out," Phi Theta Kappa Blood Drive, and the Giles County Special Olympics; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Laura Pickett brought her many abilities

and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2007 session of the One Hundred Fifth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2007 legislative session, Ms. Pickett has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Laura Pickett has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Laura B. Pickett for outstanding service as a legislative intern for the Senate Judiciary Committee and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.